## WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO LICENSEES

Effective July 28, 2003, Washington will become a member of the Performance Registration Information Systems Management Program (PRISM). This is a cooperative Federal/State Program that links the safety fitness of an interstate motor carrier to the ability of the motor carrier to register their vehicles.

Senate Bill 5429 authorizes the Department of Licensing to require certain information from motor carriers, and the authority to impose vehicle registration sanctions against motor carriers who are issued Federal Out-of-Service Orders.

Two informational documents are included with this notice. One provides an overview of the PRISM program; the second contains PRISM "Frequently Asked Questions and Answers."

As of July 28th, Motor Carriers licensed under Chapter 46.87 RCW will be required to submit the proper US DOT and Taxpayer Identification numbers in order to register or renew their vehicles. In addition, if you have not updated your Motor Carrier Identification Report (MCS-150) within the last twelve months prior to the commencement of your fleet registration period, a MCS-150 will be included in your renewal package and must be updated and submitted as a condition of renewal. Please refer to the enclosed documents for further information.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Art Farley, Motor Carrier Services Manager at (360) 664-1820 or via e-mail at afarley@dol.wa.gov.

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